(b) whether Government have any proposal for investment in FPIs sector during the current year;

(c) if so, the State-wise details thereof; and

(d) the details of FPIs that are able to export their products, alongwith the foreign exchange earnings?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF FOOD PROCESSING INDUSTRIES (PROF. CHAMAN LAL GUPTA): (a) As food processing industries are both in the organised and unorganized sectors, the information is not centrally maintained. However, as on 01.01.2002, there were 5,569 units licensed under the Fruit Products Order (FPO) administered by the Ministry, in the country.

(b) and (c) Government does not directly invest in food processing industries in any State. The Ministry of Food Processing Industries is implementing various Plan schemes, which envisage provision of financial assistance in the form of grant to cooperatives, non-Governmental organisations, public sector undertakings, private sector industries, R&D institutions etc., for the development of food processing industries. These schemes are project oriented and not State/area specific.

(d) During 2000-2001, processed food items like processed fruits and vegetables, animal products, other processed foods, marine products etc., accounted for export earnings of Rs. 14,277 crores.

FPIs of MNCs

†3394. SHRI RAM JETHMALANI:
SHRI RAJIV RANJAN SINGH 'LALAN':

Will the Minister of FOOD PROCESSING INDUSTRIES be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that a number of MNCs have established their commercial units in the food processing industries sector in the country;

(b) if so, which are those MNCs; and

†Original notice of the question was received in Hindi.

(c) how much foreign capital and how much the capital received from domestic Financial Institutions as loan, was invested by these companies during the financial year 2000-2001?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF FOOD PROCESSING INDUSTRIES (PROF. CHAMAN LAL GUPTA): (a) to (c) As per information available from Reserve Bank of India there has been a total inflow of Rs. 324.08 crores of foreign investment in case of 25 MNCs during the year 2000-2001. Out of these, *inter-alia* MNCs like M/s Kellogg & Co.; M/s. Pepsico Inc; M/s Seagram Co. Ltd., M/s Nutricia have established commercial operations in Food Processing Industries sector in the country. IFCI Ltd., ICICI Ltd., IDBI and SIDBI have informed that they have not assisted any MNC for establishing commercial units in the food processing industries during the year 2000-01.

Percentage of GDP on education

3395. PROF. M.M. AGARWAL: Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) the details of percentage of total expenditure of GDP spent on education by Government so far;

(b) whether Government propose to increase the percentage of total expenditure on education, particularly on elementary education, during the Tenth Five Year Plan;

(c) if so, the details thereof; and

(d) if not, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT [DR. (SHRIMATI) RITA VERMA]: (a) A statement indicating the expenditure on education as percentage of GDP from 1951-52 to 2000-2001 is enclosed. (*See* below)

(b) to (d) The allocation for Education in the X Plan is Rs. 42,250 crore as against Rs. 24,908.38 crore in the IX Plan, registering an increase of 69.62% which the outlay for elementary education is Rs. 29,500 crore as against Rs. 16,999.98 crore in the IX Plan, an increase of 73.53%.